

The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Thomas the Apostle
in St. Thomas

St. Cecilia
in Meta

www.stthomasapostle.net

PO Box 146
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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 3, 2016

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St. Thomas Parish Office hours: Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Thursdays 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
School Office hours during school year: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. at St. Thomas; Sundays 7:30 - 7:50 a.m. at St. Cecilia;
or anytime by appointment, just call Father.

Saint Thomas the Apostle
Mass Schedule for the Week of April 3-10:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – David Borgmeyer
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Marcella Utterback
Sunday 1:00 p.m. – First Communicants
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. – Ida Schellman
Wednesday 7:45 a.m. – Rev. Patrick Pierceall
Thursday 7:45 a.m. – Loreen Volmert
Friday 7:45 a.m. – Butch Loethen
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – People of our Parishes
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – L&D Jerome & Lucy Luebbering Family

Your Sunday Offering:
Offerory Budget for 2015-2016: \$305,000.00
Offerory Goal through Month End: \$228,753.00
Actual Collection for 2015-2016: **\$210,304.03**
Offerory Difference Year to Date: - \$18,448.97
Offerory Goal per month: \$ 25,417.00

Collection in Church:
March 6 \$4,940.00
March 13 \$2,769.00
March 20 \$4,226.00
March 27 \$4,985.00

Collection Online:
March total to date: \$22,164.00
Difference for March: - \$3,253.00

Priest Retirement & Infirm Collection
Diocesan assessment: **\$4,066.00**
Received so far: \$2,620.00

St. Thomas the Apostle Expansion & Building Fund
Total Expansion Project expenses paid: \$2,273,475.34
Income from parishioners for fiscal year 2015-2016
(via the yellow "Building Fund" envelope): **\$22,861.00**
Loan payments to date for FY 2015-2016: **\$83,049.66**
(Principal) \$65,681.08 (Interest) \$17,368.58
Parish Building Expansion Debt remaining: **\$518,372.46**

St. Thomas Cantor / Organist
Saturday 5:00 p.m. –
Sunday 10:00 a.m. –

St. Thomas Reader/ Petitions
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lauri Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Rosalyn Wieberg

St. Thomas Altar Servers
Weekday: Henry Schroeder & Natalie Otto
Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Eli & Dawson Wieberg & Andrew Luebbering
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Sabrina Luebbering, Kenadi Braun, Mason Luebbering & Cole Peters

Saint Cecilia
Mass Schedule for the Week of April 3-10:

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Josephine Werdehausen
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – People of our Parishes

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Leo & Alberta

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Brad & Vince Reinkemeyer
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Norman & Delphine Jaegers

Your Sunday Offering:
Offerory Budget for 2015-2016: \$60,471.51
Collection Total for 2015-2016: **\$46,523.02**
Offerory Goal per month: \$ 5,039.29

Collection in Church:
March 6 \$1,334.00
March 13 \$1,106.00
March 20 \$1,441.01
March 27 \$1,220.00
March total to date: \$5,141.01
Difference for March: **\$ 101.72**

Priest Retirement & Infirm Collection
Diocesan assessment: **\$1,244.00**
Received so far: \$1,244.00

St. Cecilia Parish has been assessed \$1,244.00

Please remember your parish in your last will & testament.

St. Cecilia Collection Counters
April – Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer
May – Dale & Margie Helton

St. Cecilia Reader / Petitions
Wednesday – Doris Stumpe
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Doris Stumpe
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Cathy Borgmeyer

St. Cecilia Altar Servers
Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Joshua & Alex Even,
Henry & Ben Schroeder
Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Adam & Madalyn Veltrop & Saige Werdehausen

St. Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

April 9-10

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Lora Boessen, Mark Luebbering, Pat Kaiser

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Shirley Volmert, Bill & Betty Jo Luebbering, Lynne Reinkemeyer, Jan Carter

April 16-17

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – Paul & Jenny Becker, Marshall Boessen

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Mattheuw Prenger, Keith Kliethermes, Randy Buschjost, Rob Henson, Bill Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas Greeters/Ushers

April 9-10

Saturday 5:00 p.m. –Mike Green & Gilbert Schellman

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Alan Cortvrient & Richard Heckemeyer

April 16-17

Saturday 5:00 p.m. –Richard Schellman & Fred Luebbering

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Jim Lueckenhoff & Larry Lueckenhoff

St. Thomas Presentation of Gifts at Mass

April 9-10

Saturday 5:00 p.m. –Mark & Barb Graessle

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

April 16-17

Saturday 5:00 p.m. –Alfred & Margie Kaiser

Sunday 10:00 a.m. – Randy & Charlene Buschjost

St. Thomas Collection Counters

April 9-10 – Sonya Henson & Millie Wieberg

April 16-17 – Keith & Jean Kliethermes

Rosary before Mass at St. Thomas

Tuesday 7:25 a.m. – Viola Boessen – Sorrowful (Lance Jurgensmeyer)

Wednesday 7:25 a.m. – Pat Loethen – Glorious (Dawson Lackman)

Thursday 7:25 a.m. – Celeste Suthoff & Martha Strobe – Luminous (Tori Lackman)

Friday 7:25 a.m. – Gilbert & Hermina Strobe – Sorrowful (Madson Libbert)

Saturday 4:40 p.m. – Dale Herigon – Glorious (Austin Loethen)

Sunday 9:40 a.m. – Rose Mary Buschjost– Glorious (Michael Luebbering)

** The names listed after the mysteries of the rosary to be prayed before Mass are those who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament.*

SNACKS FOR ST. THOMAS QUILTERS:

Thursday, April 7 – Julie Francis and Jeanette Goeller

Please bring snacks to hall by 1:00 p.m.; snack served at 3:00 p.m. If you have questions, please call Kathy Strobe or Emily Luebbering. Wednesday night quilting at 7:00 p.m.

SCRIP SALES (April 9-10)

Saturday - Kristi Luebbering Sunday- Amy Luebbering

Visit www.stthomasapostleschool.net/scrip for more information about the Scrip program.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO MADE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON APRIL 3rd:

At St. Cecilia Parish:

Natalee Derkum

Jesse Schroeder

At St. Thomas the Apostle Parish:

Alaina Adams

Belle Boessen

Madelyn Brenneke

Samantha Christian

Ethan Davis

Sophia Fine

Olivia Green

Hayden Lackman

Avery Libbert

Andrew Loethen

Courtney Luebbering

Cassidy-Rae Luebbering

Kate Leuthen

Claire Morris

Callie Prenger

Kylie Hoeller-Rademan

Annie Stewart

ST. THOMAS PRAYER LINE REQUESTS should be emailed to Jenny Becker at jbeckeroffice@gmail.com or by calling (573) 690-0642. The Prayer Line exists to communicate prayer intentions for those in need of healing. Out of respect for individuals' privacy, only necessary information is communicated.

NOTES OF THANKS

The family of Dale Lane wishes to thank everyone for your prayers, cards, memorials, kind words and thoughts expressed during our loss. We sincerely appreciate your kindness during this difficult time. God bless each of you.

Norman, Vallie Don and family

I would like to express my sincere gratitude and thanks to everyone for your many prayers, cards, visits and phone calls before and after my recent heart surgery. They were all really appreciated and may God bless all of you!

Ray Volmert

A ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY will be prayed on Monday, April 4 at 5:00 p.m. in St. Thomas Church.

ST. THOMAS CYO will meet on Monday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. We will be finalizing our summer trip and other activities.

St. Cecilia Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

April 9-10

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Bonnie Kampeter, Lou Kloeppel, Brenda Wansing

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Gerald & Phyllis Rehagen, Janice Schanzmeyer

April 16-17

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Jennifer Even, Betty Hagenhoff, Doris Stumpe

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Pam Libbert, Dominic & Mary Plassmeyer

St. Cecilia Greeters/Ushers

April 9-10

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Darin Even, Randy Hagenhoff,

Tom Graggert, Lou Kloeppel

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Larry Lueckenotto, Harold Libbert,

Anton Libbert, Terry Libbert

April 16-17

Saturday 7:00 p.m. – Harold Libbert, Jr., Darin Even, Randy

Hagenhoff, Lou Kloeppel

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Kenny Otto, Harold Brockes, Tony

Derkum, Anton Libbert

Rosary before Mass at St. Cecilia

Wednesday 6:10 p.m. – Florentine Hagenhoff – Glorious (Ben Luebbering)

Saturday 6:40 p.m. – Alice Hake – Glorious

(Jenna Luebbering)

Sunday 7:40 a.m. – Janice Schanzmeyer – Glorious

Mysteries (Jason Otto)

VOTIVE CANDLES: The requested donation for lighting a votive candle in church is **\$2.50.**

IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR LITURGICAL MINISTRY, IN YOUR KINDNESS & CHARITY, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Please call Fr. Secrist to schedule a meeting and date for Baptism.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please call Fr. Secrist at least six months prior to the desired date.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be conferred on **Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m.** in St. Cecilia Church.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 4 – Preschool Sneak Peak 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
- 10-12 – Self Study
- 12 – Diocesan Spelling Bee
- 15 – Mid Quarter
- 16 – Diocesan Speech Meet @ St. Joseph Cathedral from 12:30 – 4:00 p.m.
- 18 – Home & School meeting at 6:30 p.m.

St. Thomas the Apostle School will be having it's Self Study on April 10-12, 2016. This evaluation of our school occurs every six years. We want to say thank you again to everyone who helped on the committees in writing the report. We could not have completed everything without your help.

The spring Scholastic Book Fair will be at school April 18-20, 2016. This will be a buy one, get one free book fair.

VITAE FOUNDATION is hosting its 24th Annual Pro-Life Event on Monday, April 18, and Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City. The featured speaker is Lou Holtz, Notre Dame Football coach, motivational speaker, and a champion for life. The Dinner Event on April 18 begins at 7:00 P.M. Tickets are \$100 per person; the Breakfast Event on April 19 is from 7:30-9:00 a.m. for \$50 per person. Seating is limited to those with reservations, so make your reservations soon by calling 573-634-4316 or online at www.vitaeoundation.org/events.

PLEASE REMOVE ALL FLOWERS from in front of the stones in the St. Thomas Cemetery during the grass cutting season. Thank you for your cooperation.

ST. CECILIA PARISHIONERS: All available and able bodied parishioners are asked to volunteer an hour or so in cleaning our cemetery on **April 10** at 10:00 a.m. Cemetery assessments of \$5.00 for each adult 21 to 75 years of age are due in May. There is an envelope in your packet for this. If you do not receive envelopes, please put money and name in a regular envelope, marked **CEMETERY DUES**. If you have questions or need to be updated, contact Marsha Meyer. Please do not place flowers or articles on the ground--only on the headstones or vases.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

META RUMMAGE SALES The annual Meta Fire and Rescue Auxiliary rummage sale is scheduled for May 5-7. If anyone in the Meta area is interested in having sales those days as well, please contact the MFR Auxiliary Chair, Joanne Shroeder, 573-229-8986. The hope is to draw in greater numbers of buyers if there are more sales in the area to attract them. Feel free to contact Joanne if you have any questions.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN BBQ at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 8231 Tanner Bridge Road, serving from 10:30 a.m.– 5:00pm, Sunday, April 3rd. BBQ chicken and pork steak, potato salad, baked beans, slaw, chips, bread, cake. Adults \$10, Children \$5, Children 5 and under free.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council Minutes March 22, 2016

Members present: Fr. Secrist, Tom Backes, Marshall Boessen, Charlene Buschjost, Jan Carter, Mike Green, Leroy Heckemeyer, Dan Lindenbusch, Brian Luebbering, Shane Verslues, and Theresa Veit

Absent: Fred Luebbering, Kerry Meyer, Lynn Taggart, and Amanda Wooten

Father led the Parish Pastoral Council in prayer.

Principal's Report (Leroy Heckemeyer):

Music Appreciation Day will be March 23rd.

First Communion will be on April 3rd.

Self-Study will take place on April 10-12th.

K-8 Field Trip to St. Louis will be April 21st.

Diocesan Regional Speech Meet will be on April 16th.

Diocesan Sketch Day will be on April 26th.

Vocation Day will be on May 4th.

Cardinal Field Trip will be May 5th.

Archery Nationals will be May 12-14th.

Field Day will be on Monday, May 16th.

The 8th Grade Graduation will be on Tuesday, May 17th @ 7:00 p.m.

The last day of school is scheduled for May 18th.

School Advisory Board Report (Amanda Wooten): Self-Study April 10th-12th

Worship Committee Report: Lenten Penance Service - good turnout

Christian Education Report: First Holy Communion, April 3rd – 1:00 p.m.

Confirmation, May 12th – 7:00 p.m. – St. Cecilia

Social Concerns Report: No Report

Administration Report: New Dishwasher was installed before Ham Breakfast. New whisk on potato masher was installed. Push fan will be installed before picnic. Trying to get internet in the parish hall. Work on church windows, which is under warranty, will begin the week after Easter. Maintenance work on church roof where it is leaking has begun (both sacristy and side entrance).

Old Business: Catholic Schools Week Dinner. Served around 210 people. Ham Breakfast: Discussed the price of the meal.

Church Pews: Discussed pricing of church pews. Parish Sesquicentennial – 2019: Bill Boessen is working on the history book. Two official group meetings held. Minutes will be in the bulletin.

New Business: Recruitment for Parish Election. Nomination forms will be put in church pews. Date for Parish Election: May 7th & 8th

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vitae House. The meeting was adjourned and Father ended with a prayer.

Please remember in your prayers these loved ones in whose names the EASTER FLOWERS have been provided in both St. Cecilia & St. Thomas Parishes. Thanks to all who have contributed to the beautiful decorations in our Churches.

Ben Backes

Jeanine Backes

Margie Backes

Glenn Berhorst

Tom Berhorst

David Forck

Alex Hoffman, Jr.

Doris Kolb

Alfred Leven

Delmer Loethen

Katie Loethen

Vincent Loethen

Wilberta Randolph

Jim Reinkemeyer

David Suthoff

Alan Werdehausen

Rose Werdehausen

Vincent Werdehausen

Alleluia! He is Risen!



Truly, He is Risen! Alleluia!